INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE OF ESTATES, TO

The Colonels and Committees of warre in the ſeverall Sheriffedomes of this Kingdome.

At Edinburgh October 20. 1643.

WHereas by the Inſtructions of the firſt of September 1643. the number of men foot and horſe are deſigned to come out of every Shire, for the encouragement and enabling whereof there is allowed two Dollars to every foot-man, and one hundreth pounds to every horſe-man, well mounted with a good Horſe, and ſufficient Armes, and ſix ſhillings of tranſport-money for every twelve miles to the foot-man; There is likewiſe allowed one carriage horſe for every twelve foot-men, and one carriage man for every two horſes, appointing fifty Marks to be payed at the Rendezvous of the Shire for every one of the ſaid carriage horſes (they being worth fifty pounds) and the horſe to pertaine to the owner: As alſo there is to be allowed two Dollars for every carriage man, and a Souldiers pay.

The Committee of Eſtates conſidering that by the ſaids Inſtructions there is no way preſcribed when and how the ſaid

levie money and carriage horſe prices ſhall be payed, have therefore thought fit to declare the ſame to be in maner afterſpecified.

In reſpect it was the offer of all the Shires, rather to advance their Loan and Taxt, then to borrow money, or ſend in band to the Committee; Therefore the Comittee appoints the whole Loan and Taxt to bee advanced by every ſeverall Shire and Burgh within the ſame, betwixt and the 15. day of November next, to the ſaid Subcollector within the ſaid Shire, for advancement whereof there is two of the hundred to be rebated and allowed for annuall-rent to the advancers, and no retention to be allowed to any particular perſon, for any cauſe whatſoever.

Every one ſhall advance his owne part, or otherwiſe one or more in every Pariſh to undertake and advance the proportion of that Pariſh, to whom is allowed the ſaid two of the hundred for annuall-rent, and two of the hundred for Collector fee.

The money being thus advanced, the ſaid Subcollector is to pay to every foot-man, who being ſworne to their colours, ſhall march out of the Shire under command by order, the ſaid two dollars, extending to eight Marks Scottiſh money; and to every horſe-man well mounted and armed, as ſaid is, one hundred pounds money foreſaid: And to the owner of every carriage horſe (worth fifty pounds) fiftie Marks: And to every carriage-man eight Marks of levie money: And to every foot-man, and carriage-man, ſixe ſhillings for every twelve miles, conforme to the particular note and exact count thereof, ſubſcribed by the Clerk of the ſaid collection, ſent to the Subcollector of every Shire, *reſpectivè*, the double whereof is herewith ſent.

And becauſe by Act of Convention, theſe who have lent money, advanced victuall or other proviſion for Ireland, are ordained to be payed by the ſaid Loan; The ſaid Committee findes this way of advancing the ſame to the Subcollectors to be moſt advantageous for the furtherance of the work in hand, and for ſatisfaction to the ſaids perſons who have lent money, or advanced for Ireland, as ſaid is.

And that each Shire and Burgh within the ſame, may be aſſured, that the foreſaid ſumme of money allotted for the Levies, price of carriage horſes, and tranſport-money, ſhall not be employed for any other uſe, then as is aforeſaid; The Generall Collector, with advice and command of the ſaid Committee of Eſtate, gives warrand and power to the Sub-collectors within ilk Shire, after receipt of the money ſo to be advanced, to give band and ſecuritie, to keep the ſaid proportion of money in his own hand, and not to diſpoſe thereupon, untill further order come for marching or muſtering of the ſaid men, Foot and Horſe, with carriage horſes, and men conforme: At which time, he ſhall deliver the ſame in manner above-written as the Colonels

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and Committees of Warre ſhall appoint for the uſes aforeſaid, the remanent alwayes of the whole ſumme being advanced, as ſaid is: To the effect theſe who have lent money, and advanced victuall and proviſion for Ireland, may be ſatisfied, conforme to the tenour of the ſaid Act of Convention.

And ſiclike the ſaid Committees of Warre within the whole Kingdome are entreated to have their Regiments and Troupes of Foot and Horſe, aſwell theſe who are to come out upon advertiſement, as theſe who ſtayes within, (where the ſame is not alreadie done) formed, enrolled, put under command, exerciſed, and made in readineſſe, That upon fourtie eight houres warning, their numbers appointed may be ready to march, with their carriage horſes, armes, and all other proviſion contained in the former inſtructions of the firſt of September laſt.

And the Colonels and Committees in every Shire are to take ſpeciall care, as they would make conſcience of the Covenant, and regard the cauſe in hand, that the ſaid Loane and Taxt be advanced: And that the Souldiers appointed to come forth, be of the ableſt and moſt vigorous men in each Pariſh: And that they doe not upon any termes admit old nor weak men, nor young boyes and naughtie bodies to come forth. And if any ſuch perſon ſhall be offered to them, that they refuſe him, and unleſſe the Heritor furniſh an able man in his place, it ſhall be lawfull to the Committee and Colonel, to take the ableſt man or ſervant that belongeth to the ſaid Heritor. And the Committees are to cauſe the Heritors provide them Souldiers with Arms, two part Muskets, and third part Pikes. And that the Colonels cauſe their Captains to be buſie in training and exerciſing their Souldiers to handle their Arms: And alſo to be carefull that as many be made choice of, of theſe who ſerved in the laſt expedition, both Officers & Souldiers, as can be conveniently had.

And becauſe every Regiment muſt carry their own Ammunition, and draw their own fielding-pieces, and other materialls; the Committee ordains that ilk Shire and Diviſion ſhall either buy 12. horſes for every Regiment, upon the expences of the Shire or Diviſion, or hire them to be payed by the publick after they come to the Generall Rendezvous, as other carriage horſes of the Artillerie, *viz.* allowing a man for every two horſe, who is to have pay as a common Souldier, and for each horſe twelve ſhillings. Every horſe-man is to have eighteen ſhillings ſcots in their tranſport, for every twenty miles from their Rendezvous in the Shire, to the Generall Rendezvous.

And it is ordained that report be made hereof by the Committees of Warre in ilk Shire (to whom the ſame is recommended) aſwell anent the advance of the Loane and Taxt, as anent the other particulars foreſaids, with all convenient diligence, after the receipt hereof.

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